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H. R. 786

To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration Project, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 31, 2007

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California (for herself and Mrs. NAPOLITANO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY**
4 **WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION DEM-**
5 **ONSTRATION PROJECT.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and
7 Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102–

1 575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is amended by
 2 adding at the end the following:

3 **“SEC. 16 ____ . LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATER SUPPLY AUG-**
 4 **MENTATION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.**

5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior, in
 6 cooperation with the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers
 7 Watershed Council, is authorized to participate in the
 8 planning, design, construction, and assessment of a neigh-
 9 borhood demonstration project to—

10 “(1) demonstrate the potential for infiltration
 11 of stormwater runoff to recharge groundwater by
 12 retrofitting one or more sites in the Los Angeles
 13 area with features designed to reflect state-of-the-art
 14 best management practices for water conservation,
 15 pollution reduction and treatment, and habitat res-
 16 toration; and

17 “(2) through predevelopment and
 18 postdevelopment monitoring, assess—

19 “(A) the potential new water supply yield
 20 based on increased infiltration; and

21 “(B) the value of the new water.

22 “(b) COST SHARING.—The Federal share of the cost
 23 of the project described in subsection (a) shall not exceed
 24 25 percent of the total cost of the project.

1 “(c) LIMITATION.—No Federal funds shall be used
 2 for the operation and maintenance of the project described
 3 in subsection (a). For purposes of this subsection, pre- and
 4 post-development monitoring for not more than 2 years
 5 before and after project installation for project assessment
 6 purposes shall not be considered operation and mainte-
 7 nance.

8 “(d) SUNSET OF AUTHORITY.— The authority of the
 9 Secretary to carry out any provisions of this section shall
 10 terminate 10 years after the date of the enactment of this
 11 section.”.

12 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
 13 in section 2 of Public Law 102–575 is amended by insert-
 14 ing after the item relating to section 16____ the following:

“Sec. 16____. Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration
 Project.”.

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